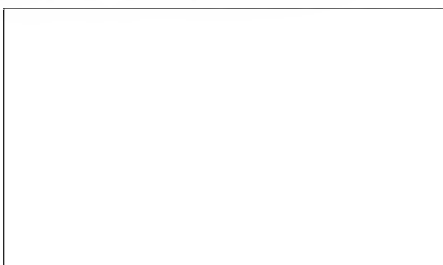


# **THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST**

6 SEPTEMBER 1961  
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1. Reaction to US test  
resumption announcement



Information so far is limited to early reactions in Britain and Japan. The story dominated the front pages of this morning's British newspapers, with most pointing out that the step was prompted by three Soviet tests in five days and noting that US underground testing would not pollute the atmosphere. The Japanese response, less sympathetic, has included an official government communication to our embassy "strongly urging" that the decision not be implemented. Moscow has reported the announcement factually in a broadcast to Europe, but has not yet informed its own population of the US decision or of its own tests.

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2. Brazil tension eases



- 1) Goulart arrived in Brasilia last night without incident. A last-ditch effort by military extremists is still a possibility, but their prospects appear to be fading;
- 2) no date has yet been set for Goulart's inauguration and the next few days are likely to produce considerable jockeying over the composition of his cabinet;
- 3) we have no firm line yet on the prime minister, but Moura Andrade figures high in the speculation within Brazil. He is the 46-year old acting President of the Senate, and a member of the conservative Social Democratic party

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### 3. Berlin developments

a) On Sunday and Monday East German police attempted unsuccessfully to substitute themselves for Soviet controllers in checking the passports of official US travellers going to and from Berlin on the autobahn;

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the East Germans have set up mobile radar jamming equipment at the apex of the three air corridors near Berlin, which would permit simultaneous radar interference with aircraft in all three corridors.

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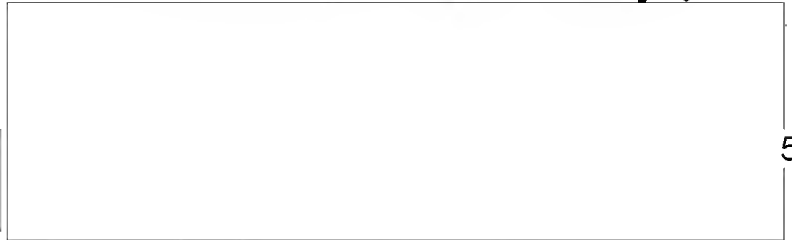
4. Nonaligned conference  
staements



The Belgrade Declaration, the second of two statements issued by the conference, reveals the anticipated compromise. It shows that the moderates, led by U Nu and Nehru, agreed to sharp stands on some anticolonial issues in return for statements on current East - West issues, such as disarmament and nuclear testing, which were impartial or favored the Western position. The moderates also succeeded in holding back pressure from Tito and others for recognition of the existence of two Germanys.

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5. Bloc pressure on  
Greeks

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[redacted] cancellation of the 15-25 50X1  
September NATO exercises in the Greek-  
Turkish-Bulgarian border area, may 50X1  
be the prelude to joint Bloc maneuvers  
in the Balkans. The fact that the  
Turks have not been treated to com-  
parable pressures probably reflects  
Moscow's view of the Greeks as NATO's  
weak link. [redacted] 50X1  
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NOTES

- A. In addition to the tests at Semipalatinsk and those evidently scheduled in the Arctic, there are some indications that testing may take place at Totskoye (about 600 miles southeast of Moscow). It is believed that this proving ground was last used in 1954 to demonstrate tactical nuclear weapons. Activity, possibly foreshadowing a nuclear event, has also been noted in connection with the Kapustin Yar missile test range. [redacted] 50X1
- B. De Gaulle's press conference remarks yesterday [redacted] 50X1  
[redacted] that he is going ahead with plans to create a Moslem-dominated provisional executive. His scheme calls for setting up coastal enclaves of European settlers. The moves are likely to provoke violent reactions from both Algerian and French extremists. [redacted] 50X1
- C. An Afghan delegation has left, or is about to leave, for Moscow expecting to obtain \$300,000,000 or more in aid for Afghanistan's upcoming second Five-Year plan. [redacted] meanwhile [redacted] 50X1  
[redacted] a rupture in Afghan-Pakistan relations has come closer. [redacted]

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